WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 4095

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served May 3, 1993

Case No. AP-93-09

Application of CAPITAL TOURS &)
TRANSPORTATION, INC., Trading as)
SUBURBAN AIRPORT SHUTTLE, for a)
Certificate of Authority --)
Irregular Route Operations)

By application accepted for filing March 22, 1993, Capital Tours & Transportation, Inc., trading as Suburban Airport Shuttle (SAS or applicant), a Maryland corporation, seeks a certificate of authority to transport passengers, together with baggage in the same vehicles as passengers, in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to transportation in vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 15 or fewer persons, including the driver.

Notice of this application was served on March 23, 1993, in Order No. 4070, and SAS was directed to file an amended proposed tariff, publish further notice in a newspaper and file an affidavit of publication. SAS complied. The application is unopposed.

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

SAS's application includes information regarding, among other things, its corporate status, equipment, facilities, safety fitness, proposed tariff, finances, and regulatory compliance record.

SAS proposes to commence operations with two eight-passenger vans. Applicant's amended proposed tariff contains per capita fares for service between points in Montgomery County, MD, on the one hand, and Washington National Airport and Washington Dulles International Airport, on the other.

SAS's president certifies on its behalf that applicant has access to, is familiar with, and will comply with the Compact, the Commission's rules and regulations, and United States Department of Transportation regulations relating to transportation of passengers for hire.

Applicant filed a balance sheet as of December 31, 1992, showing current assets of \$15,000; and equity of \$15,000. Applicant's projected operating statement for the first twelve months of WMATC operations shows WMATC operating income of \$140,000; operating expenses of \$84,600; and net income of \$55,400.

It is certified that neither SAS nor any person controlling, controlled by, or under common control with SAS has any control relationship with a carrier other than SAS.

DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

This case is governed by the Compact, Title II, Article XI, Section 7(a), which provides in relevant part that:

. . . the Commission shall issue a certificate to any qualified applicant . . . if it finds that --

(i) the applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform [the] transportation properly, conform to the provisions of this Act, and conform to the rules, regulations, and requirements of the Commission; and

(ii) that the transportation is consistent with the public interest.

Based on the evidence in this record, the Commission finds SAS to be fit, willing, and able to perform the proposed transportation properly and to conform with applicable regulatory requirements. It is further found that the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That Capital Tours & Transportation, Inc., trading as Suburban Airport Shuttle, 5620 Artesian Drive, Derwood, MD 20855, is hereby conditionally granted, contingent upon timely compliance with the requirements of this order, authority to transport passengers, together with baggage in the same vehicles as passengers, in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to transportation in vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 15 or fewer persons, including the driver.
- 2. That Capital Tours & Transportation, Inc., trading as Suburban Airport Shuttle, is hereby directed to file the following documents with the Commission: (a) evidence of insurance pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 58 and Order No. 3623; (b) four copies of a tariff or tariffs in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 55; (c) an equipment list stating the year, make, model, serial number, vehicle number, license plate number (with jurisdiction) and seating capacity of each vehicle to be used in revenue operations; (d) evidence of ownership or a lease as required by Commission Regulation No. 62 for each vehicle to be used in revenue operations; (e) proof of current safety inspection of said vehicle(s) by or on behalf of the United States Department of Transportation, the State of Maryland, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Virginia; and (f) a notarized affidavit of identification of vehicles pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 61, for which purpose WMATC No. 224 is hereby assigned.
- 3. That upon timely compliance with the requirements of the preceding paragraph and acceptance of the documents required by the Commission, Certificate of Authority No. 224 shall be issued to Capital Tours & Transportation, Inc., trading as Suburban Airport Shuttle.

4. That unless Capital Tours & Transportation, Inc., trading as Suburban Airport Shuttle, complies with the requirements of this order within 30 days from the date of its issuance, or such additional time as the Commission may direct or allow, the grant of authority herein shall be void and the application shall stand denied in its entirety effective upon the expiration of said compliance time.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS DAVENPORT, SCHIFTER, AND SHANNON:

William H. McGilvery Executive Director

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